




This is Habonim 

HABONIM is a youth organization. Our name—Habonim—means The Builders.

There are 2000 members of Habonim all over the United States and Canada, and many of our members live in Israel.

Habonim was started in 1935. Since then we have become one of the most active Jewish youth organizations in America.

Habonim has sister organizations in all parts of the world. Habonim organizations exist in England, South Africa, Holland, Australia, New Zealand, France, Switzerland, Belgium, North Africa, Mexico, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay, Iran and Israel.

All these are united in an organization called Ichud Habonim with headquarters in Tel Aviv.



who are we?...

When you join a local Habonim group you become a member of the American Habonim organization and you are a part of the world-wide united Habonim movement — all working together for the same goals and ideals.

We are also connected with adult organizations in America who help us in our program. These are the Labor Zionist Organization of America — Poale Zion, Pioneer Women, and the Farband Labor Zionist Order.



HABONIM is a busy organization. Here are some of the things we do:

Our groups set up their own programs. They have regular meetings where they talk over problems we all face together, problems like our place in the world today, what it means to be a Jew, how we should live our lives to be just and honest.



We not only talk over problems — we act.

Members of Habonim raise funds for the Jewish National Fund, the United Jewish Appeal and the Histadrut in Israel. We act as young citizens on questions that concern us—like racial and religious prejudice, liberal laws, unfair employment practices, and discrimination. We take part in many activities which will help to make the world a better place to live in.



what do we do?

Since we are a Jewish organization, our groups celebrate the Jewish holidays together. They learn the latest Israel songs and do the newest Israel dances. Every meeting starts or winds up with a lively session of singing and dancing.



After graduating from High School, Habonim members can attend the Youth Workshop in Israel for eleven months. This is a program of study, work, and travel in Israel. It is a chance to participate in the life of the Jewish State.

In addition, our groups have a lot of fun with hikes, sports, outings, theater parties, camping trips, and many other activities.

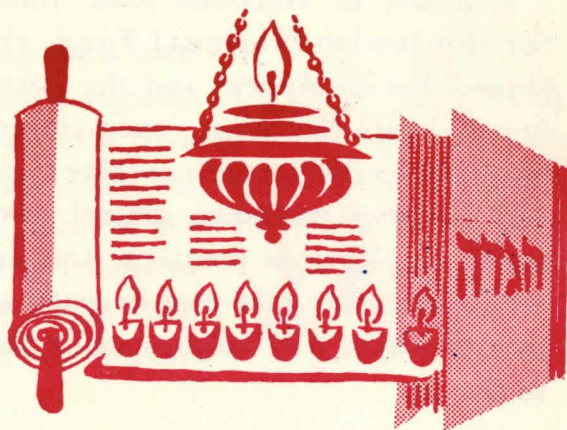


During the summer months Habonim runs seven summer camps in different parts of the country for our members. We in Habonim build these camps ourselves and we run them ourselves. Every camper has a voice in the camp program, and the director and staff are also Habonim members.

We of Habonim try to have the things we do mean something to us. We don't just go ahead and do things without any idea of the whys and the wherefores.

We are Jewish youth. Because we are Jewish, we are interested in what happens to Jews all over the world.

We are proud of being Jews. We try to help the Jewish people through our activities. As Jews, we have many traditions which are beautiful and important to us. In Habonim we learn about these traditions and make this Jewish heritage a part of our lives.



themselves Zionists. They did all this work so that the Jewish people would have a chance to live as it should live. We are proud that many members of Habonim were among those who helped create the State of Israel. We work for the strengthening and building of Israel in every way we can.

why

We believe that one of the greatest things that has happened to the Jewish people is the founding of the State of Israel. But the State of Israel didn't "just happen." It was the result of a lot of hard work by people who call

We also believe that all human beings should live full and satisfying lives. Nobody should be idle if he is able to work; it is not right for one person to live from the work of another. We think that people in need should be helped, whether their need is for food or friends or education, or anything else that is important for a human being so that he can live a full and satisfying life.

There is one more thing we believe in that ties all these together. We are young, but we believe that we can help change the world. We are sure that young people can be responsible. We know that young people have done many things which once seemed impossible.

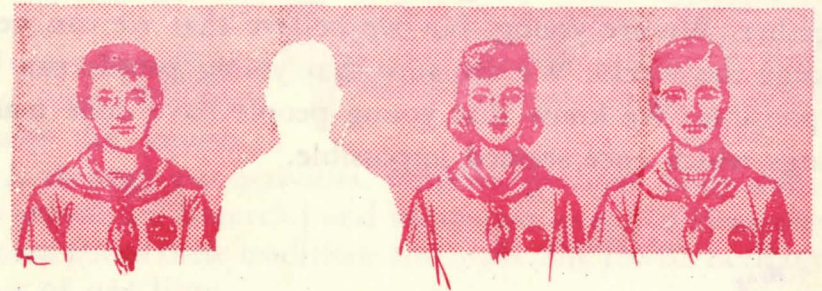
do we do it?

So we act according to the way we believe. If something happens that we agree with, we try to participate in it and encourage it; if something happens that we disagree with, we try to change it. In short, we believe in youth's power to understand the world and to accomplish great things in the world. And at the same time, we are also accomplishing things within ourselves, for we try to make ourselves better people and better citizens by learning and by doing.

That is why we are called Habonim — The Builders.

how about you?

- ... if you think that you will find friends in Habonim;
- ... if you think that Habonim's program sounds like fun;
- ... if you think Habonim's activities are interesting;
- ... if you think the things Habonim stands for are worthwhile;
- ... if you think all of these things, **YOU'RE RIGHT!!!**



The empty space above might be **YOU**, together with your friends in Habonim. If you want to get into a group of people who are both lively and serious, people who think the way you do and like to enjoy themselves the way you do; a group of the most interesting and the most friendly people you've ever met, join **HABONIM!**

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